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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AUTOMATIC LOAD BALANCING OF
ADVERTISED SERVICES BY SERVICE INFORMATION PROPAGATION BASED ON
USER ON-DEMAND REQUESTS**

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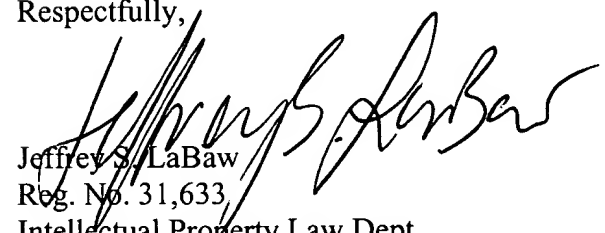
- ☒ **28** Pages of Specification including an Abstract
- ☒ **14** Pages of Claims
- ☒ **16** Sheet(s) of Drawings *Formals*
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney
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- ☒ Form PTO 1449 and Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Copies of References
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